

31-33 West Street (Commercial Building)
Annapolis
Anne Arundel County
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE MARYLAND	COUNTY ANNE ARUNDEL	TOWN OR VICINITY ANNAPOLIS
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) 31-33 West Street (Commercial Building)		HABS NO. MD-267
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES)		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) early 19th century	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) A nineteenth century building, now altered for commercial uses, which retains many original architectural details.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick laid in Flemish bond.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Two and one-half stories, 6 bay front, about 40' in frontage, originally rectangular. See field records for floor plans.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Dormer windows, large end chimneys centered on gables, entrance doorway on right has ornamental brackets on panelled pilaster strips which support a plain cornice & three light rectangular transom, large store windows dating from late nineteenth or early twentieth century.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) The door and window trim are of three variations of corner block trim. May doors retain their original Carpenter or Carpenter-type rim locks and brass knobs, rosettes, escutcheons and cast-iron butt hinges. The three surviving mantels of the western half of the structure are all similar, with tapered pilasters and boldly projecting shelf supported by moldings. The mantel in the room above the shop in the eastern half of the building has free standing columns. The mantel of the second story room in the rear wing is slate, painted as faux-marbre, of a simple Greek Revival design.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Commercial		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE The western half of the building was originally a residence. It is essentially three bays wide, with a side hall, and two rooms deep. The eastern half of the building was originally a shop at ground level (above a deep cellar) with residence above.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)		
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